

Thursday, December 21, 1995

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

House agreed to intelligence authorization and welfare reform conference reports.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S19025–S19144*

**Measures Introduced:** Nine bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1492–1500, S. Res. 201, and S. Con. Res. 37. **Page S19110**

**Measures Reported:** Reports were made as follows:  
H.R. 2437, to provide for the exchange of certain lands in Gilpin County, Colorado. (S. Rept. No. 104–196)

Report to accompany S. 956, to amend title 28, United States Code, to divide the ninth judicial circuit of the United States into two circuits. (S. Rept. No. 104–197) **Page S19110**

#### Measures Passed:

*Balanced Budget:* By a unanimous vote of 94 yeas (Vote No. 611), Senate passed H.J. Res. 132, affirming that budget negotiations shall be based on the most recent technical and economic assumptions of the Congressional Budget Office and shall achieve a balanced budget by fiscal year 2002 based on those assumptions, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S19025–34**

Daschle Amendment No. 3108, to ensure Medicare solvency, reform welfare, and provide adequate funding for Medicaid, education, agriculture, national defense, veterans, and the environment.

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*Enrollment Corrections:* Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 37, directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make technical changes in the enrollment of the bill (H.R. 2539) entitled “An Act to abolish the Interstate Commerce Commission, to amend subtitle IV of title 49, United States Code, to reform economic regulation of transportation.

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*Commending CIA Inspector General:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 201, commending the CIA’s statu-

tory Inspector General on his 5-year anniversary in office. **Pages S19137–38**

*Farm Credit System Regulatory Relief Act:* Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 2029, an Act to amend the Farm Credit Act of 1971 to provide regulatory relief, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S19138–40**

Santorum (for Lugar/Leahy) Amendment No. 3109, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S19138–40**

**ICC Termination Act—Conference Report:** Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 2539, to abolish the Interstate Commerce Commission, and to amend subtitle IV of title 49, United States Code, to reform economic regulation of transportation.

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**Intelligence Authorizations, 1996—Conference Report:** Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 1655, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, clearing the measure for the President.

**Pages S19135–37**

**Veto—Securities Litigation Reform:** Senate began consideration of the veto message on H.R. 1058, to reform Federal securities legislation.

**Pages S19034–73, S19081–86**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the veto message on Friday, December 22, 1995, with a vote to occur thereon. **Pages S19081–82**

**Welfare Reform—Conference Report:** Senate began consideration of the conference report on H.R. 4, to enhance support and work opportunities for

families with children, reduce welfare dependence, and control welfare spending.

Pages S19081–82, S19086–S19107, S19140–43

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the conference report on Friday, December 22, 1995, with a vote to occur thereon.

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**START II Treaty—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the Treaty with the Russian Federation on Further Reduction and Limitation of Strategic Offensive Arms (The START II Treaty) (Treaty Doc. No. 103–1), on Friday, December 22, 1995.

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**Labor/HHS/Education Appropriations, 1996:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the cloture vote on a motion to proceed to the consideration of H.R. 2127, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, to occur on Friday, December 22, 1995 at a time to be determined.

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**Measures Indefinitely Postponed:** Senate indefinitely postponed further consideration of the following measures:

*Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center:* S. 1315, to designate the Federal Triangle Project under construction at 14th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, Northwest, in the District of Columbia, as the “Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center.

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*Howard H. Baker, Jr. U.S. Courthouse:* S. 1388, to designate the United States courthouse located at 800 Market Street in Knoxville, Tennessee, as the “Howard H. Baker, Jr., United States Courthouse”.

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**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Thomas Paul Grumbly, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Energy.

Martin A. Kamarck, of Massachusetts, to be President of the Export-Import Bank of the United States for the remainder of the term expiring January 20, 1997.

Donald W. Molloy, of Montana, to be United States District Judge for the District of Montana.

Susan Oki Mollway, of Hawaii, to be United States District Judge for the District of Hawaii.

78 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

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**Messages From the House:**

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**Measures Referred:**

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**Additional Statements:** Pages S19129–35

**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total–611)

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 9:56 p.m., until 10:15 a.m., on Friday, December 22, 1995. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S19140.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S. 1371, to provide for the exchange to the Sun Valley Company certain National Forest System lands adjacent to the Snowbasin Ski Resort in Salt Lake City, Utah to facilitate certain events at the 2002 Winter Olympics, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 1296, to provide for the Administration of certain Presidio properties at minimal cost to the Federal taxpayer, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

H.R. 629, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the operation of certain visitor facilities associated with, but outside the boundaries of, Rocky Mountain National Park in the State of Colorado, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nominations of Bernice B. Donald, to be a United States District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee, Barbara S. Jones and Jed S. Rakoff, each to be a United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, Joan A. Lenard, to be United States District Judge of the Southern District of Florida, and C. Lynwood Smith, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama; and

S. 605, to establish a uniform and more efficient Federal process for protecting property owners' rights

guaranteed by the fifth amendment, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 7 public bills, H.R. 2822–2828; and 2 resolutions, H.Con.Res. 124, and H. Res. 321 were introduced.

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**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 2567, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act relating to standards for constructed water conveyance, amended (H. Rept. 104–433);

Report entitled "Creating a 21st Century Government" (H. Rept. 104–434);

Report entitled "Making Government Work: Fulfilling the Mandate for Change" (H. Rept. 104–435);

Report entitled "The FDA Food Additive Review Process: Backlog and Failure To Observe Statutory Deadline" (H. Rept. 104–436);

Report entitled "The Federal Takeover of the Chicago Housing Authority—HUD Needs to Determine Long-Term Implications" (H. Rept. 104–437);

Report entitled "Voices for Change" (H. Rept. 104–438);

S. 1341, to provide for the transfer of certain lands to the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community and the city of Scottsdale, Arizona (H. Rept. 104–439, Part 1);

H.R. 497, to create the National Gambling Impact and Policy Commission, amended (H. Rept. 104–440, Part 1);

H. Res. 322, providing for consideration of H. Res. 299, to amend the Rules of the House of Representatives regarding outside earned income (H. Rept. 104–441); and

H. Res. 323, providing for the consideration of H.R. 2677, to require the Secretary of the Interior to accept from a State donations of services of State employees to reform, in a period of Government budgetary shutdown, otherwise authorized functions in any unit of the National Wildlife Refuge System or the National Park System (H. Rept. 104–442).

Pages H15567, H15574

**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Chambliss to act as Speaker pro tempore.

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**FDR Commission:** The Speaker appointed Representatives English and Hinchey to the Franklin

Delano Roosevelt Memorial Commission on the part of the House.

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**Intelligence Authorization:** The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 1655, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System—clearing the measure for Senate action.

Pages H15494–H15501

H. Res. 318, the rule which waived points of order against the conference report, was agreed to earlier by a voice vote.

Pages H15493–94

**Welfare Reform:** By a recorded vote of 245 ayes to 178 noes, Roll No. 877, the House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 4, to restore the American family, reduce illegitimacy, control welfare spending and reduce welfare dependence—clearing the measure for Senate action.

Pages H15317–H15487, H15509–33

Rejected the Rose motion to recommit the conference report to the committee of conference with instructions to the managers on the part of the House to recede from certain House provisions and agree to certain Senate amendments relating to child abuse prevention and treatment, to child care and development block grants, to State maintenance of social security efforts, to SSI disabled children, to family-based and school-based nutrition block grants, to child nutrition programs, and to continued application of current standards under the Medicaid program (rejected by a recorded vote of 192 ayes to 231 noes, Roll No. 876).

Pages H15532–33

A point of order was sustained against the Neal motion to recommit the conference report to the committee of conference with instructions to the managers of the conference on the part of the House to insist that the text of H.R. 1267, to reconnect families to the world of work, make work pay strengthen families, require personal responsibility, and support state flexibility, be substituted for the conference substitute recommended by the committee of conference; and that the title of H.R. 1267 be substituted for the title of the conference substitute recommended by the committee of conference. Agreed to the Shaw motion to table the appeal of the ruling of the Chair sustaining the point of order

(agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 240 yeas to 182 nays, Roll No. 875).

Pages H15531–32

H. Res. 319, the rule which waived points of order against the conference report, was agreed to earlier by a voice vote.

Pages H15501–09

**Recess Authority:** By a recorded vote of 224 yeas to 186 nays, Roll No. 879, the House agreed to H. Res. 320, authorizing the Speaker to declare recesses subject to the call of the Chair from December 23, 1995, through December 27, 1995. Earlier, agreed to order the previous question on the resolution (agreed to by yea-and-nay vote of 228 yeas to 179 nays, Roll No. 878).

Pages H15533–43

Agreed to the Pryce amendment in the nature of a substitute that provides that the Speaker may declare recesses subject to the call of the Chair on calendar days Saturday, December 23, 1995 through Wednesday, December 27, 1995; on the calendar days of Thursday, December 28, 1995 through Saturday, December 30, 1995, with the foregoing recesses declared not to be extended beyond December 30, 1995; and that after House has been in session on Saturday, December 30, 1995, the Speaker may declare recesses subject to the call of the Chair on the calendar days of Saturday, December 30, 1995 through Wednesday, January 3, 1996, with the foregoing recess not to be extended beyond 11:55 a.m. on Wednesday, January 3, 1996.

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**Meeting Hour:** Agreed to meet at 9 a.m. on Friday, December 22.

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**Referrals:** Three Senate-passed measures were referred to the appropriate House committees.

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**Senate Messages:** Messages received from the Senate appear on pages H15487–88 and H15546.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two yea-and-nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H15531–32, H15532–33, H15533, H15542–43, and H15543. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** Met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:43 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### LAND DISPOSAL PROGRAM FLEXIBILITY ACT

*Committee on Commerce:* Ordered reported amended H.R. 2036, Land Disposal Program Flexibility Act of 1995.

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS— MAJOR MEDICAL FACILITY PROJECTS AUTHORIZATION

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Ordered reported H.R. 2814, to authorize major medical facility projects and major medical facility leases for the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 1996.

### NATIONAL PARKS AND WILDLIFE REFUGE SYSTEMS FREEDOM ACT

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by a vote of 7 to 3, a closed rule providing for one hour of general debate in the House on H.R. 2677, National Parks and National Wildlife Refuge Systems Freedom Act. The rule provides that the amendment printed in the report of the Committee on Rules shall be considered as adopted. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Young and Representatives Vento, Richardson, and Lincoln.

### AMENDING HOUSE RULES REGARDING OUTSIDE INCOME

*Committee on Rules:* Ordered reported, by a vote of 10 to 0, a resolution providing for consideration in the House of H. Res. 299, to amend the Rules of the House of Representatives regarding outside earned income. It shall be in order, without intervening point of order, to consider a motion to amend printed in the report on the resolution if offered by the chairman of the Committee on Rules. The resolution and the motion to amend shall be debatable for 30 minutes equally divided between the proponent and an opponent. The previous question is ordered on the motion to amend and on the resolution to adoption without intervening motion. Testimony was heard from Representatives Johnson of Connecticut, McDermott, and Cardin.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1995

#### Senate

No meetings are scheduled.

#### House

No committee meetings are scheduled.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10:15 a.m., Friday, December 22

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Friday:** Senate will conclude consideration of the veto message on H.R. 1058, Securities Litigation Reform, and conclude consideration of the conference report on H.R. 4, Welfare Reform, with a vote on reconsideration of H.R. 1058, the objections of the President notwithstanding, to occur thereon at 11:15 a.m., following which Senate will vote on the conference report on H.R. 4.

Senate will also begin consideration of START II Treaty (Treaty Doc. 103-1).

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

9 a.m., Friday, December 22

## House Chamber

**Program for Friday:** Consideration of a resolution regarding book royalties;

Consideration of the conference report on H.R. 2539, Interstate Commerce Commission termination; and

Possible consideration of the conference report on H.R. 2546, District of Columbia Appropriations.

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